



PAW PRINTS

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Where, oh Where

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Executive Director

It is likely that approximately 15% of the people reading this have, at some point, had their pet escape the comforts of home. It is never intentional, you may have had your hands full and your mind somewhere else, when your pet decided it was time for a field trip. Hopefully, you notice the pet is missing quickly and can begin searching for them before they have a chance to be too far away. According to Petpedia's Pet Facts, around 90% of lost pets are found within 12 hours if the owner is actively searching for them.

Lost Pet Statistics indicates that between 11-16% of dogs and 12-18% of cats will go missing at least once in five years. Knowing this statistic will hopefully help all of us to be more mindful of the potential for our pets to get away and make sure that we have done all we can to help prevent them from getting out and that we have taken the necessary actions to help them be returned to you as quickly as possible. Aside from the obvious things to keep your pets contained like physical or electronic fencing, kennel/crate training, or boundary training, you should always consider the things you can do to ensure the pet can be returned home safely.

At a minimum you can provide your pet with an ID tag that has your name and telephone number on it; for a very low cost you can have a microchip implanted into the pet-keep in mind, you need to register this chip to you so it will provide the correct information if the animal is scanned at a veterinary office or the shelter; if your animal is a dog, they can often be identified by a rabies tag or a county dog license-although these two methods may take a little longer to reach out to you; and, there are also GPS trackers such as Apple Air Tags and certain brands of collars that let you see where the animal is using an app on your mobile device. In the local area post photos and information to the HSOP Community Page on Facebook. This can be seen by nearly 25,000 members and expand the number of people helping search for your pet.

One additional free resource that is available is Petco Love, this is a free national database that utilizes facial recognition to help match pets reported as missing to pets reported as found. This requires the owner to register their personal information along with the details and a photo of their pet. Then shelters who participate in this program along with anyone who finds a pet can upload the details of the animal that has been found and the program then utilizes facial recognition to see if there is a match that has been reported and reaches out to the registered pet owner.

Keep your personal information up to date when using any of these technologies to find your pet. Outdated information makes it next to impossible to return the pet home to you in a timely fashion. We always encourage pet owners to reach out to the shelter(s) in their geographical area by telephone or in person to make sure someone has not found your pet and turned them in as a stray. The local animal shelter should be one of the first telephone calls you make.

We certainly hope that you find some of these suggestions helpful, but more importantly, we hope that you find your animal quickly, should they ever become separated from you.

If you are interested in supporting HSOP after you are gone, Legacy and Planned Giving opportunities are available, contact the shelter for more information.

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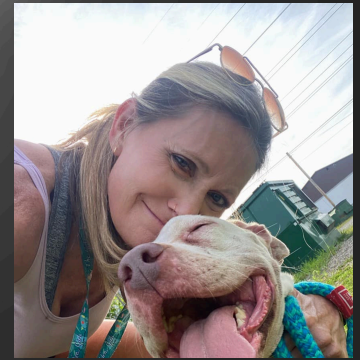
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Volunteer Spotlight

This edition's volunteer spotlight is on
Pam White Romine

Pam has been a dedicated dog walking volunteer for more than 12 years. During her time as a volunteer Pam has helped with various shelter fundraisers, special events, and other activities that have benefited HSOP animals. Pam works at Bureau of Fiscal Service and enjoys spending time with her horses in her spare time.





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Please check your sponsor level. Each sponsor will receive one ticket and be entered in the reverse drawing (tickets are valued at \$125 and admit two people to the tailgate party!) Sponsors are listed on a banner at the event, in our newsletter, on our social media platforms and on our website.

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Parkersburg, WV 26102

Questions can be directed to Loretta Nester at lorettanester72@gmail.com or Erica Bailey at erica.bailey20@gmail.com.



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If you would like to donate an item or gift certificate for the Mountaineer Tail-waggin' Tailgate Party auction, please indicate what you would like to contribute.

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Please contact any member of the HSOP Fundraising Committee or HSOP Board with any questions or to arrange for pick-up. Items can also be dropped off at the shelter. Thank you!

Questions can be directed to Loretta Nester at lorettanester72@gmail.com or
Erica Bailey at erica.bailey20@gmail.com.

Thank You!

Your generosity allowed us to raise \$10,995 to help fund spay/neuter services.



Upcoming Event

MOUNTAINEER
TAIL-WAGGIN' TAILGATE PARTY



Saturday, August 24

5:00 p.m.

Dils Riverfront Park

Tickets available

July 2024

Ticket price-\$125

Meet Stella

This girl's smile is just as gorgeous as she is. Stella is a one-year-old Boxer mix.

She and her sister were surrendered to the shelter when her owner moved and was unable to take her. She is a volunteer favorite and loved by all.

Stella is good with kids and other dogs her size. She has been in a playgroup at the shelter with two others and has done great!

She does need to go to a home without cats, but otherwise, she is all set to go home with her forever family.



Stella



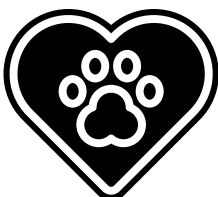
Maggie

Meet Maggie

Maggie is a delightful feline who radiates joy in every purr. Her sweetness is as captivating as her playful antics, leaving everyone around her smitten.

Maggie's cuddly nature makes her the perfect companion for cozy nights in, while her funny side ensures a home filled with laughter. Friendly to all, she quickly becomes a cherished friend, eagerly greeting you with a soft meow. Her vibrant spirit brings life to any room, a testament to her resilient nature.

Maggie is listed as a 2-year-old, domestic shorthair all black with some spots of white on her belly.



Thank you to those who helped to make the third annual Putt for Paws a success!



The 3rd Annual Putts for Paws event took place on Saturday, June 8, at the scenic Worthington Golf Course in Parkersburg.

The event, organized to benefit the shelter animals of the Humane Society of Parkersburg, was a roaring success with a turnout that exceeded expectations.

One of the highlights of the event was the presence of several shelter dogs who were given the opportunity to visit the golf course, interact with the participants, and bask in some much-deserved love and attention. The sight of these furry companions brought smiles to the faces of all in attendance and added an extra layer of warmth and joy to the day.

A total of 148 golfers, along with more than 20 dedicated volunteers, came together to make the event a resounding success. Their unwavering support and enthusiasm helped raise vital funds for the Humane Society of Parkersburg, ensuring that the shelter animals receive the care, support, and resources they need. The event was not only a testament to the community's commitment to animal welfare but also a heartwarming reminder of the power of compassion and generosity.

As the sun set on a day filled with golf, camaraderie, and furry friends, participants and volunteers alike left with hearts full of gratitude and a sense of fulfillment knowing they had made a tangible difference in the lives of shelter animals in need.





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Emergency: 860-674-5080

Shelter Hours

Monday - Friday: 10:30 to 5:00

Saturday: 10:30 to 4:00

SPOT Clinic

Mailing & Physical Address:

506 29th Street, Parkersburg, WV 26101

SPOT Clinic Hours have changed-

The Clinic is open from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday for wellness visits and Monday, Wednesday and Friday for surgery by appointment.

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